

FULL STORES FOR CHRISTMAS

Trade in Barre is Feeling Approach of Holidays

WHAT MERCHANTS HAVE

Less Than Four Days Remain in Which to Make Your Purchases—Fine Assortments from Which to Choose.

With the approach of Christmas, the stores of the city are feeling the rush of business. They are, however, prepared to meet all callers with as fine stocks as can be found, from which to make Christmas selections.

The two recently enlarged show windows of the F. D. Ladd company in the Wood block have especially elaborate decorations. In one, representing the grocery department, was figures of a mother and child are arranged at the back of the window in representation of motherhood. At the sides of the figures the space is filled with green and white crepe in lattice work. On a raised floor all kinds of food stuffs are displayed. In the other window the decorations are in white and against the back of the window dressed chickens are suspended. Fruit and vegetables are arranged in round piles on the floor.

A mission room is represented in the window of H. W. Hooker & company's furniture store in the Blanchard block, displaying the popular mission furniture of chairs, desks and tables.

The large window of the Frank McWhorter company in the same block is attractively decorated, displaying a choice assortment of men's furnishings, including smoking jackets, ties, gloves, fur-lined overcoats, dress suit cases, handkerchiefs and mufflers.

At Kendrick's drug store pretty Christmas cards may be seen in one window and fountain pens are displayed in the other.

In the window of Marjorie's corner cigar store, his favorite brands of cigars are shown in small and large boxes, just right for a present; also briar pipes are displayed.

The decorations in Wheeler's cigar store consists of a scene of a volcanic mountain in eruption, and on the sea at the foot of the mountain is a gondola tossing on the water. The window is dark, and by electric lights in the back a realistic effect of fire and smoke pouring from the mountain is produced. Pipes, cigars and cigar cases are displayed.

H. P. Baldwin has a large display of handsome framed pictures at his store in the basement of the Worthen block, and he also is showing these pictures in windows of the vacant store of the Boster block.

Suits, bath-ropes, smoking jackets, neckties, mufflers and fancy armbands are among the gents' furnishings artistically displayed.

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Kidney Trouble Makes You Miserable.

Almost everybody who reads the newspapers is sure to know of the wonderful cures made by Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, the great kidney, liver and bladder remedy.

It is the great medical triumph of the nineteenth century; discovered after years of scientific research by Dr. Kilmer, the eminent kidney and bladder specialist, and is wonderfully successful in promptly curing lame back, uric acid, catarrh of the bladder and Bright's Disease, which is the worst form of kidney trouble.

Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root is not recommended for everything but if you have kidney, liver or bladder trouble it will be found just the remedy you need. It has been tested in so many ways, in hospital work and in private practice, and has proved so successful in every case that a special arrangement has been made by which all readers of this paper, who have not already tried it, may have a sample bottle sent free by mail, also a book telling more about Swamp-Root, and how to find out if you have kidney or bladder trouble. When writing mention reading this generous offer in this paper and send your address to Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y. The regular fifty-cent and one-dollar size bottles are sold by all good druggists. Don't make any mistake, but remember the name, Swamp-Root, Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, and the address, Binghamton, N. Y., on every bottle.

SNOW SHOES

Largest assortment in the city, all sizes and styles. Just the thing for a Christmas gift.

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Act on the liver and bowels, cure biliousness, constipation, morning and sick headache, break up colds, relieve flatulence, induce sleep, give relief after dinner. Painless cathartic. 25c.

Peptiron Pills

Ironise the blood, tone the stomach, aid digestion, and give restful sleep. Especially beneficial in nervousness and anemia. Chocolate-coated, pleasant to take. Two sizes: 50c. and \$1. Druggists or mail, C. L. HOOD CO., Lowell, Mass.

tically displayed in the window of F. H. Rogers & company.

A very artistic display is that in the window of O. J. Dodge's jewelry store. A large snow white Ferris wheel is turning about, carrying beautiful necklaces, bracelets, for sale, and on the floor of the window are other jewelry displays.

Sowden & Lyon, the grocers in the Miles block, are showing canned goods, pickles, fruits and fancy crackers in their windows.

The Eastern Estate Tea company has in its windows an elaborate display of its premium articles, to which they invite your attention.

In the windows of Fred King's jewelry store is displayed an excellent line of clocks, watches, jewelry, cut glass and bronze. The background of the two windows is white and they are trimmed with holly.

A. W. Badger & Co. are displayed in their south window a fine line of oak and wicker rocker chairs and in the other window is displayed a large assortment of rugs of all kinds, including Axminster, Brussels and Wiltons, the whole making a fine display.

D. E. Davis, the druggist, has his windows nicely arranged and the stock is displayed to excellent advantage. Both of the windows are trimmed with festoons and holly and suspended from the top are red Christmas bells. In the south window is displayed a line of novelties, including pocket books, dressing cases and manicure sets, and in the other windows is displayed an assortment of perfumes.

W. H. Conner & Son have their window trimmed with green and red and in the center is displayed a "Merry Christmas" motto. In the windows is displayed a line of fruit, confectionery and groceries.

Both windows are trimmed with the Smith & Cummings market to represent baskets of evergreens and are trimmed with holly. In the north window is shown an display of poultry and vegetables, and in the other is game, including venison, quail, pigeons and live rabbits and guinea fow. The interior of the store is decorated with festoons, Christmas bells and holly.

J. Merlo is showing an line of postal cards in one window, and in the other, which is handsomely decorated, are displayed various lines of cigars.

J. B. Sanguinetti shows in the windows of his store groceries and candy and a large line of toys.

Oscar Borgh shows a line of fruit, novelties and photograph albums in his windows. The window at M. J. Green's bakery are tastefully trimmed with golden festoons and red balls, and in them is displayed a great variety of pastry, including a variety of fancy cakes.

In one window of L. M. Williams' store is shown an assortment of pictures, oil paintings and burnt wood work and a line of brass and oxidized beds. In the other window is a display of china.

At the New England Fruit company's store is shown a display of all kinds of fruit and candy, well arranged and decorated with festoons of red and large red balls and the whole being illuminated with colored light makes a handsome effect.

The display at E. A. Prindle's hardware store is arranged on a series of steps in the window and includes nickel and aluminum ware, skates, pocket knives, carving sets and razors.

The Union Co-operative store on Granite street is showing an excellent line of groceries, fruits and candies.

The City fish market is displaying an excellent line of fruit of all the obtainable varieties, nuts of all kinds and the choice of the waters in fish.

H. A. Gould offers many suggestions to the musically inclined, with an excellent line of musical instruments, including the best makes of pianos.

The stock of the Emile store is of itself all decoration without any attempt to add to its beauty. In the window of the saloons may be seen the season's choice of plants and flowers.

The Averill Music company is showing a line of skates and sleds for the youngsters and also an assortment of sporting goods as well as talking machines. L. M. Averill is showing his usual line of goods, including groceries and the goods to be found in a general store.

George W. Landers is showing an excellent line of cigars, tobacco and pipes at the "little store around the corner" on Pearl street.

M. J. McGowan is displaying an assortment of fancy groceries in the window of his South Main street store, the display, which is well arranged, including all that is necessary in the line of groceries to make the Christmas dinner a success.

Dix & Coleman have their show window well arranged and almost everything edible is to be found there, including nuts, candy, canned goods, and a full line of poultry.

John H. Griffin is showing his usual excellent line of groceries and fancy canned goods, candy, tobacco, gloves and mittens.

Earl S. Shepard has a good line of sporting goods, including guns, rifles, revolvers, hunting knives and snow shoes.

The window at the saleroom of the Singer Sewing Machine company on Elm street is prettily decorated in red and green and a Christmas tree in the center adds to its attraction. At one side of the tree is shown one of the latest model sewing machines.

The Consolidated Lighting company, the Standard Electric company, and Cushman & Ward are all showing seasonal suggestions in the way of electrical appliances. Cushman & Ward have an especially pretty window in which is shown a tree, among the branches of which are shown colored electric lights, the whole being shown on a background of red and green.

To Cure a Cold in One Day Take LAXATIVE BROMO Quinine Tablets. Druggists refund money if it fails to cure. E. W. GROVES' signature is on each box. 25c.

CONGRESSMEN IN FIST FIGHT

Leader Williams is Punched by De Armond

HE CALLED WILLIAMS LIAR

And Got Swift Blow, but Democratic Minority Leader Got the Worst of the Fight—Row Was Over Assignments.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 20.—Representative David A. DeArmond, Democrat of Missouri, and minority leader John Sharp Williams of Mississippi passed the lie on the floor of the House just after adjournment yesterday.

A fist fight followed, which required six congressmen to stop it. Williams was taken to his room with blood streaming down his face, DeArmond having gotten in a vicious blow that opened the cheek several inches.

DeArmond was roughly handled, but Williams' blows failed to draw blood. The trouble arose over a request by DeArmond that Williams, as minority leader, make certain assignments. These were not made. DeArmond demanded an explanation. Williams said that he had forgotten them.

"You're a liar," shouted DeArmond. Williams wheeled in a flash. "No man can call me that," he cried, as his right fist struck the Missourian.

DeArmond returned the blow with such force as staggered the United States senator-elect. The blood fairly spurted from the gash inflicted. Others blows were exchanged and the two men had each other by the throat before they could be separated by their colleagues.

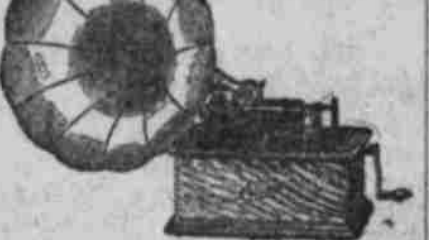
The encounter was witnessed by more than 100 members of the House and by many more persons in the galleries, among them a score of women.

The House having just broken up, groups of representatives were standing or sitting about discussing the commotion, appointments that had been announced by the speaker.

Among them was Mr. Williams, seated at Representative Wallace's desk on the center aisle of the Democratic side, and Mr. DeArmond, who occupied Representative Bartlett's desk adjoining.

They were engaged in very earnest talk, but their voices were low and they attracted no special attention.

Suddenly both men sprang to their feet and began striking each other.



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Buy a Victor Talking Machine.
Buy a Columbia Gramophone.
Buy a dozen Disc Records.
Buy a dozen Cylinder Records.
Buy a Violin.
Buy a Mandolin.
Buy a Guitar.
Buy an Accordion.

For a small gift for your friend
Buy a Fancy box of Candy.
Buy a box of Cigars.
Buy a Cigar Set.
Buy a Toilet Set.
Buy a Shaving Set.
Buy a Safety Razor.
Buy a bottle of Perfume.
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5 pound pails.....	13c lb
10 pound pails.....	13c lb
20 pound pails.....	12c lb
50 pound pails.....	11 1-2c lb
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CANNON NAMES COMMITTEES

Speaker Announces Appointments in the House

FOSTER GETS GOOD PLACE

Longworth Also Gets a Place—Is One of the New Republicans Designated for an Important Post.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 20.—Immediately after the disposition of the necessary routine business of the House, Speaker Cannon yesterday announced the committee assignments for the sixtieth Congress. Many changes from the last Congress are made, but in the main the members who had heretofore held important places were retained in them.

The ways and means committee is as follows: Chairman, Senner E. Payne of New York; Republicans, Dabell, Pennsylvania; McCall, Massachusetts; Hill, Connecticut; Boutell, Illinois; Watson, Indiana; Needham, California; Calderhead, Kansas; Fordney, Michigan; J. H. Gaines, West Virginia; Bonyon, Colorado; Longworth, Ohio; Democrats, Griggs, Georgia; Fox, North Carolina; Randall, Texas; Clark, Missouri; Cokeran, New York; Underwood, Alabama; Granger, Rhode Island.

The chairman of the remaining committees are: Accounts, Hughes, West Virginia; Agriculture, Scott, Kansas; Alcoholic liquor traffic—Sperry, Connecticut; Census—Crumpacker, Indiana; Claims—Miller, Kansas; Coal, weights and measures—McKinley, Illinois; District of Columbia—Smith of Michigan.

Education—Southwick, New York; Election of president, vice-president, and representatives in Congress—Gaines, West Virginia; Elections No. 1—Mann, Illinois; elections No. 2, Olmsted, Pennsylvania; elections No. 3, Driscoll, New York; Enrolled bills—Wilson, Illinois.

Expenditures in the department of agriculture—Littlefield, Maine; Expenditures in the department of commerce and labor—Foster, Vermont; Expenditures in the department of justice—Mudd of Maryland.

Expenditures in the interior department—Haugen, Iowa; Expenditures in the navy department—Boutell, Illinois.

Expenditures in the post-office department—Wagner, Pennsylvania; Expenditures in the state department—Weeks, Massachusetts.

Expenditures in the treasury department—Knopf, Illinois; War claims—Chairman, Haskins, Vermont.

CAMBRIDGE MAN CLAIMS RICHES OF VERDI

Gregori Verdi, 80 Years Old, Says He Is Heir to \$3,000,000 Left by the Great Composer, Held by Government.

Boston, Dec. 20.—Claiming that he is a relative of Verdi, the great Italian composer, and that he is an heir to his great fortune, Gregori Verdi, 80 years old, of Cambridge, is preparing to fight the will. His brother is now looking after his interests in Rome, because Verdi is too old to make the trip to the home of his childhood days. Verdi's brother, who is looking after the case, is a priest, and makes his home in Rome.

When seen yesterday by a reporter, Andrew E. Verdi, son of the Cambridge claimant and employed as a janitor at the university apartments in Cambridge, said:

"My father is too old to go to Italy to look after his interests, but my uncle is looking up the matter. Although my father came to the country when he was only about 12 years old, he says that he has a faint recollection of the famous Verdi, and claims that he is a relative. My father has received word from my uncle that several people who claimed relationship to Verdi have been turned down, but so far my father's claim have not been denied."

Young Verdi declares that he is a grandnephew of the composer, and is therefore entitled to a part of the \$3,000,000 which is in the hands of the government in Italy. He says his father is the son of the composer Verdi's brother.

CHAPLAIN PRAYS FOR SHIPS OF EVANS' FLEET.

Asks Divine Grace For The Admiral and His Men.

Washington, Dec. 20.—In his invocation at the opening of the session of the House yesterday Chaplain Couden prayed for the safety of the ships and men of the battleship fleet now on its way to the Pacific coast, saying in part:

"And now, O God, we pray that Thy favor may attend our naval fleet as it pursues its peaceful voyage from ocean to ocean. Give to it kind winds and seas, and bring it, in Thine own good time, to its destination, without the loss of a man or ship, and we will ascribe all praise to Thee."

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Drown's Guide to Christmas Buying

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If you are interested in Christmas Perfume, our stock will interest you. See our 25c and 50c packages of Lazzell's Perfumes.

Does your friend smoke? We have special Christmas Boxes with as few as 10 cigars and up to 100. We also have a complete line of Pipes, Cigar and Cigarette Holders.

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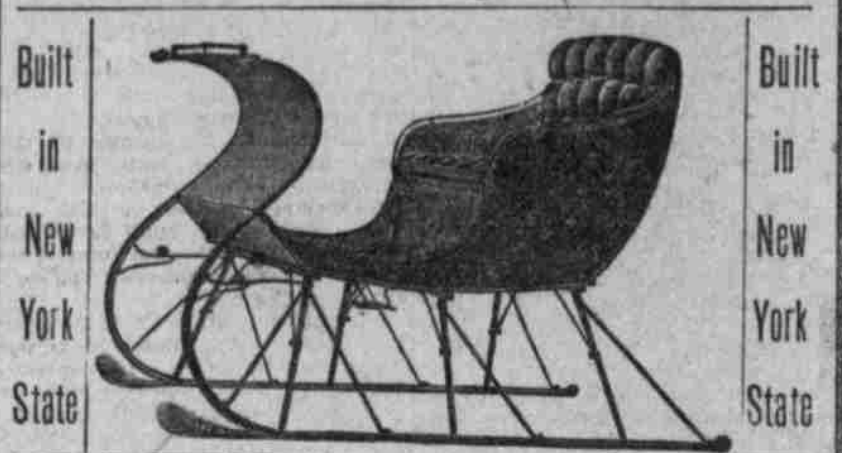
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